AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph.

-- The information-transmitting unit 5 further comprises a reading section 61 for reading information from the recording medium 6 to change the information represented by optical signals. The recording medium 6 is, for example, a semiconductor memory such as a memory stick. The information-transmitting unit 5 has an interface 7 for receiving the information represented by optical signals supplied from external devices. The interface 7 is, for example, a <u>Universal Serial Bus (USB)</u> or a fiber connector. In the information-transmitting unit 5, the recording section 11 provided in the above-mentioned IC records the optical signals supplied from the external devices (e.g., information terminals and servers) through the interface 7. Therefore, the user of the information-transmitting unit 5 can change the information represented by optical signals, in the same way as with personal computer. Note that the recording medium 6 and the reading section 61 constitute an information-changing means and that the interface 7 and the recording section 11 constitute another information-changing means. It suffices for the information-transmitting unit 5 to have at least one of these information-changing means. --

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